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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Continuation Application of:

Applicants : Constantine Tsikos et al.
Application Serial No.: 09/781,665
Filing Date : February 12, 2001

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Honorable Commissioner
of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

**TRANSMITTAL LETTER ACCOMPANYING THE FILING OF A
CONTINUATION APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b)**

Sir:

This is a request for filing a Continuation Application under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b) of Application No. 09/781,665 entitled "Planar Laser Illumination And Imaging (PLIIM) Based Camera System Employing Integrated Speckle-Pattern Noise Reduction Mechanism" filed February 12, 2001 by Constantine Tsikos et al.

Enclosed is a true copy of Prior Application Serial No. 09/781,665 as originally filed and a Declaration under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b) verifying it.

Please amend said prior application in accordance with the Preliminary Amendment filed herewith.

Under 35 Section 120 Applicants claim priority to the following:; Application 09/781,665 filed February 12, 2001, which is a Continuation-in-Part of copending Application Serial No. 09/780,027 filed February 9, 2001; copending Application Serial No. 09/721,885 filed November 24, 2000; International Application PCT/US500/15624 filed June 7, 2000, published as WIPO Publication WO 00/75856; each said application being commonly owned by Assignee, Metrologic Instruments, Inc., of Blackwood, New Jersey, and incorporated herein by reference as if fully set forth herein.

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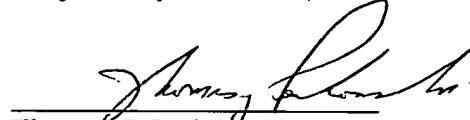
Please amend said prior application in accordance with the Preliminary Amendment filed herewith.

Power of Attorney in the previous application is granted to Thomas J. Perkowski, Esq., Reg. No. 33,134 of Stamford, Connecticut. A copy of the Combined Declaration of Inventorship and Power of Attorney document is enclosed herewith.

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